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SENATE DEMOCRATS IN CAUCUS VOTE TO EXTEND TARIFF ON SUGAR

WILSON TO ASK BRITISH TROOPS SOLONS TO ACT BATTER GERMANS UPON SUBMARINE OUT OF TRENCHES TANGLE AT ONCE

Report Abroad in Washington
That President Plans To Shift
Responsibility For All Future
Moves Entirely Up To Congress

ONE AMERICAN KILLED
WHEN ENGLISHMAN SANK

T. B. Meikley One of Seven Horse-
men Drowned; Official Circles
Now Discuss Possible Rupture
With the German Government

WASHINGTON, March 28.—Al-
though it is now asserted that
no Americans lost their lives
when the British steamer Sussex
was attacked by a submarine in the
English Channel last week, the
crisis between this country and Ger-
many has reached another acute stage,
and indeed so serious that it was re-
ported last night President Wilson is
considering shifting the entire respon-
sibility for future action by the United
States onto the broad shoulders of
Congress.

It was admitted in official circles
near the President that he is debat-
ing whether or not to ask congress to
discuss openly the whole situation
and the possibility of a rupture with
Germany.

The Sussex dropped temporarily into
the background last night with the
official statement that an American citi-
zen, Mr. Meikley, was killed when the
British steamer Englishman, on which
he was traveling, was torpedoed.

Meikley was one of seven horse-
men who were drowned when the En-
glishman sank. The total loss when the
Englishman sank was three members of
her crew and seven horsemen.

No attempt is being made here to
minimize the effect of this last sub-
marine attack and the resulting death
of an American citizen. Officials last
night openly talked of the possibility of
a rupture of the diplomatic relations
with the Kaiser's empire, and said
that all that is required to force such
an action is proof positive that the
Sussex and Englishman were attacked
by a German submarine, and not as
the German embassy officials here are
claiming injured by the explosion of
floating mines.

Senator Stone, chairman of the for-
eign affairs committee, conferred with
the President yesterday and agents of
the government are gathering all pos-
sible details.

Consular Agent William Whitman at
Buenos Aires reported yesterday in a re-
port to the state department the
Dutch statement that a piece of bronze
resembling part of a torpedo has been
found on the Sussex, which was towed
to port crippled.

It is stated authoritatively in official
circles yesterday that should it be
shown that a German submarine torped-
ed the Sussex, Germany would disavow
the act, make reparation for lives
lost and damage done, and punish the
commander of the submarine.

It is also stated that Ambassador
von Bernstorff's attitude was mainly
responsible for the retirement of
Grand Admiral von Tirpitz of the Ger-
man navy.

Turkey has cabled a declaration that
it was not a Turkish submarine which
sank the P. & O. steamer Persia in the
Mediterranean.

**ELEVEN DIE WHEN
MINNEAPOLIS SINKS**

LONDON, March 27.—Eleven are
known to be dead in the sinking of the
Atlantic Transport Company's liner
Minneapolis in the Mediterranean sea
yesterday.

The French steamer Hebe, the British
steamer Cerne and the fish-carrying
small vessel Kharfoum of Hull have
been sunk in the war zone. No casual-
ties occurred in the sinking of the Hebe
and the Cerne, but it is believed that
nine were lost from the Kharfoum.

A Lloyd's dispatch says that the British
steamer St. Cecilia, from Portland,
Maine, struck a mine and has been par-
tially wrecked.

A wireless report from Berlin says
that a German torpedo boat has been
missing since the raid of Schleswig-Hol-
stein. The aeroplane failed, says the
report, and two armed fishing steamers
used as outposts were victims of the
English.

The report continues:
"German aeroplanes attacked the
English naval forces and destroyed a
number of hits, damaging a sealer."

Tommy Atkins Captures Six Hun-
dred Yards of Front Near
Ypres Defenses

TEUTON CANNONADING ON
LINE AT VERDUN GROWING

Russians Still Hacking Way For-
ward Against Germans
and Turks

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
LONDON, March 28.—British troops
got into the fight yesterday and
captured six hundred and more
yards of German trenches south of the
battered little city of Ypres, say de-
pates from the front, partially con-
firmed by the British official statement.
Take Teuton Trenches

According to the Berlin despatches
the British exploded a mine south of
St. Eloi, and took 100 yards of front.
The British war office account of the
same action says that the mine explo-
sion was followed by infantry charges
which were successful in capturing two
of the Teuton trenches, or six hundred
yards of front.

On the Verdun front the forces can-
nonading of the last few days has been
maintained with unabated vigor by
both sides. Northwest and northeast
of the Verdun lines the cannon have
been alone in their activity, for the in-
fantry has been held steady in the pro-
tection of the trenches, and neither
side has shown an attack by its foot
soldiers.

The Germans have increased the vol-
ume of their artillery as upon the
Gallie lines, Mort Homme, Bethincourt,
fort de Vaux and Douaumont, where
more than a month of steady fighting
has made of the country side a vast
carnage house. In other sections of
that front there has been but little ac-
tivity according to the official state-
ments issued last night.

On the eastern fighting line the bat-
tle that is raging south of the Russian
city of Pustovka continues. There the
Russians report having driven the Teu-
tons out of fresh trenches, and to be
slowly pressing them back along that
front. Berlin claims to have recaptured
ground lost to the Slavs in the lake
Naroc region.

Pushing Back Turks
In the Black Sea region the Grand
Duke Nicholas keeps up his steady pro-
gress against the Turks and their Ger-
man allies. He reports successive gains
throughout that entire district, and is
slowly moving forward in his encircling
of Trebizond, the next step in his
march upon Constantinople.

Upon the Italian front Vienna last
night reported that the Austrians have
been successful in driving the Italians
out of one of their trenches on the
Podgora heights.

**YUAN MUST QUIT
AND LEAVE CHINA**

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
SHANGHAI, March 28.—Yuan Shih-
kai must resign and go into exile at
once. Such is the mandate of the revo-
lutionary troops, and such has come
to be the belief of Yuan's own officials.

Tang Shao-yi, the Yush premier, last
night telegraphed to the president, ur-
ging him to resign his office and retire
from public life as soon as possible.
The premier said:

"Unless this is done at once, and
Li Yuan Heng is made provisional pre-
sident, China is ruined. Canton is al-
most certain to join the republicans and
announce its independence."

The demand for Yuan's retirement
into an exile that shall extend to his
children and his children's children to
the third generation, was also tele-
graphed by the Tangchi Yau, and other
governors of the revolting provinces
yesterday. They demand the trial and
execution of twenty advisers of Yuan.

The revolutionist sympathizers have
cabled that the property of Yuan
and his advisers should be confiscated
to indemnify the rebels for their
expenses, and that Yuan's descend-
ants should forfeit citizenship for three
generations. It is also urged that
separate provinces be given control of the
army units and arsenals.

The recent victories of the revolu-
tionists in Kwangtung have caused
much alarm in Peking, and reports re-
ceived from the capital state that there
is some chance that the revolutionists
will be captured by the revolutionists.

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FRENCH ADOPT UNIQUE PLAN TO PREVENT GERMAN CAPTIVES FROM MAKING ESCAPE



'HAM-STRINGING TEUTONIC PRISONERS'

A war-time incident that is amusing to all
but the victims, shows the new French
method of making it difficult for their German
prisoners to make a break for liberty. In this
picture, which The Advertiser has received from
the French foreign office, the French captors are
shown cutting the suspenders of the captured.
Without suspenders, the Germans must cling to
their trousers to hold them up, and thus cling-
ing cannot run away. It is reported difficult to
make a satisfactory sprint with trousers slipping
down around the legs.

Villa Is Comparatively Safe Diplomacy Delays Supplies

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
HEADQUARTERS American Expedi-
tion in Mexico, March 28.—(Wire-
less)—The tension between the Ameri-
can troops and the local traders is
growing less. Mexican merchants are
beginning to come into camp with
small articles of various sorts to sell.
It is believed that this coming day
will go far toward establishing
friendly relations between the troops
and the Mexicans.

American aviators are reporting ex-
cessive difficulty in their work here be-
cause of the conditions they have to
face. There have been no serious ac-
cidents despite the high altitude in the
mountainous regions over which the air-
craft are compelled to operate, the air
conditions caused by the mountains
and the continual sand-storms. More
aeroplanes have been ordered sent to
the front as soon as possible.

The natives hereabouts are proving
friendly and freely give all the infor-
mation they have regarding Villa and
the movements of his band.

General Pershing, in command of the
expedition, has established a base near
to Villa's line of retreat. The Mexi-
cans are not rallying to Villa, scouts
have reported.

**DIPLOMATIC CLOUDS
GATHER AGAIN**

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
WASHINGTON, March 28.—While
the troops under the command of Gen-
eral Pershing are trying to corral Villa
and drive him into the open where he
can be disposed of, the diplomatic
clouds, believed last week to have been
dispersed, are gathering again. Carran-
za, it is evident, is anxious to delay
granting his permission for the Ameri-
can authorities to make use of the Mexi-
can National railway to ship the sup-
plies needed by the soldiers in the
field, until the protocol arranging the
basis on which the two nations are to
operate against Villa, has been signed.
The state department, however, in-
sists that the railway matter is an
entirely different and distinct from the
details covered by the protocol.

While the diplomats wrangle the
troops are finding it more and more
difficult to obtain the food, forage and
ammunition they need in the field. If
the chase of Villa is to be brought to
a successful issue, the need of the
railroad is instantly imperative. The
Quartermaster Department is finding it
next to impossible to maintain a steady
stream of supplies to General Pershing.
The roads through which the motor
trucks are carrying the necessities for
the troops are more tracks in the sand,
that disappear with every sand storm
that sweeps over the sun-battered,
rocky land. And it will be a week be-
fore the protocol can be signed and be-
come effective.

Troops Are Forging Ahead
Ignoring this, however, the soldiers
are going ahead as if their lines of
communications were opened wide and
broad. The latest despatches from Gen-
eral Pershing put the advance guards
of his Cavalry at more than 250 miles
south after Villa and his band.

Villa, still growing stronger as he
moves south, is believed to be headed
for the foothills of the high Sierra, and
the Mexican troops under Carranza lead-
ers, acting with General Pershing's
men, are doing their best to corner him
and drive him into the open country.
All thought, however, that the robber

**GENERAL OSHIMA ACCEPTS
OFFICE IN OKUMA CABINET**

(Special Cable to Hawaii Hochi)
TOKYO, March 28.—Lieut. Gen. Ken-
ichi Oshima, vice minister of war, has
been prevailed upon to accept the por-
tfolio vacated by Lieutenant General
Oka, by the united efforts of the
premier, Count Okuma and Prince
Yamagata. The ceremony of installa-
tion will take place this morning, and
General Oka will tender his formal
resignation at that time. By this move
the Okuma cabinet averts the danger
that has been threatening it for some
time, and is now believed safe.

HONOLULU FOR VLADIVOSTOK
(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
SEATTLE, March 28.—The freighter
Honolulu sailed from this port last
night for Vladivostok, with a cargo
estimated to be worth \$6,000,000. She
carries general merchandise in her
holds.

**NAVY HAMPERED BY
WASHINGTON POLICY**

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
WASHINGTON, March 28.—(In-
sistent arrangements in Washington)
are responsible for the lack of efficiency
in the American navy. Admiral Fiske
told the members of the house commit-
tee on naval affairs yesterday.

The admiral asserted that the ef-
fectiveness of the service is reduced
at least twenty-five per cent by that
same lack of coordination and a com-
mon sense policy at the national cap-
ital. He added that the German navy,
which has not cost in the making as
much as the American fleet, is at least
twice as efficient because of the "ar-
rangements" in Berlin.

NEW IMMIGRATION MEASURE DECLARED INSULT TO NIPPON

New York Representative Urges
Elimination of Anti-Asiatic
Clause

SAYS JAPANESE KEEPING
TO AGREEMENT 'LOYALLY'

Showing Every Disposition To
Avoid Possible Points of
Friction

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
WASHINGTON, March 28.—That
the clauses in the Burnett Immigration
Bill, now before the house, which re-
late to the immigration of Asiatics,
are an insult to the government of
Japan and question the good faith of
that government, was urged during
yesterday's debate by Representative
William S. Bennett of New York, who
stated his belief that the clauses
should be eliminated before the meas-
ure was passed.

Representative William E. Humph-
rey of Washington, had offered an
amendment to the measure which
would prevent Asiatics of any class
from entering the country by way of
Canada, making it obligatory on all
aliens from the Orient, although ad-
missible under the terms of the bill,
to apply for entry only at an Ameri-
can seaport.

This amendment was voted down by
a large majority. During the discus-
sion which the amendment provoked,
Representative Bennett characterized
the general anti-Asiatic features of the
bill as insulting to the Japanese gov-
ernment.

He pointed out that the Japanese
government is loyal in maintaining the
full spirit of the "gentlemen's agree-
ment" entered into between the
American and Japanese governments
at the time of the California school
question agitation, and is showing
every disposition to so restrict im-
migration as to eliminate the possible
points of friction.

Representative Hayes of California
agreed with Representative Bennett
that the good faith of the Japanese
in the carrying out of the gentlemen's
agreement had been demonstrated in
every way, but said that he could not
agree in the statement that the text
of the bill could be construed as in-
sulting to Japan or any other country.
There is nothing objectionable in the
language used, he declared.

The "literacy test" clause was
warmly debated but was finally ac-
cepted, an amendment to eliminate it
being defeated by a vote of 225 to 82.
It was because a similar bill contained
such a clause that President Taft vet-
oed it.

**GERMAN AGITATORS
FOMENT REBELLION**

(Special Cablegram to Nippon Jiji)
TOKYO, March 27.—That the native
population, more particularly the na-
tive troops in Indo-China, is growing
hourly more and more restless toward
the French authorities is the gist of
the press despatches reaching here to-
day. An open uprising is expected at
any moment.

According to the information avail-
able here now several Germans are de-
sperately engaged in agitating amongst
the natives against the French. How
these Germans eluded the French au-
thorities and gained safe entry into
the French possessions is a mystery yet
to be solved.

The German agitators at any rate
have been successful in their mission
as far as the native population is con-
cerned and the conditions of uncer-
tainty now are reported to prevail there
with every indication pointing toward
an early rebellion.

**BERLIN REPORTS FRENCH
TRANSPORT SENT DOWN**

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
BERLIN, March 27.—An Athens de-
spatch says that a French transport at
Saloniki with troops struck a mine and
sank. Seventy three were rescued. The
despatch is to the Overseas News
Agency.

**SIX DROWN AS COLLIER
AND LAUNCH COLLIDE**

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
VALLEJO, March 27.—Six men were
drowned today when the tanker Con-
tinga struck a launch on its way from
Crocker to Vallejo.

RIVER THREATENS LEVEES
(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
COLUMBUS, Ohio, March 28.—The
river above here is rising rapidly, and
the levees are threatened. Flood warn-
ings have been sent out to all districts
by the government.

TIME LIMIT SET FOR MAY 1, 1920, AND COMMITTEE WILL SO REPORT

Substitute For House Measure Is
Adopted By Bourbons By Vote
of Twenty-three To Seven. Af-
ter Discussion In Conference

OPPOSITION CONSISTS
OF NUMEROUS FACTIONS

Senators From Louisiana Argue
Strongly Against Bill, Holding
It Would Leave Growers With-
out Assurance As To Future

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
WASHINGTON, March 28.—
By a vote of twenty-three
to seven, the Democrats of the
senate in caucus last night voted
as in favor of extending the pre-
sent duty on sugar to May 1, 1920,
and a bill will be drawn up and
reported by the majority of the
finance committee on this basis.

This bill will be offered as a substi-
tute for the house bill which re-
peals the free sugar clause of the
Underwood Tariff Act indefi-
nitely.

**FACTIONS OPPOSE
AN EXTENSION**

The seven votes against the ex-
tension of the tariff with the four
years time limit represent dis-
tinctly opposite factions, some
being in favor of the Kitchin Bill
as it stands, definitely repealing
the free sugar clause; some desir-
ing that the free sugar clause go
into effect on May 1, as provided
in the Tariff Act, while others
have advocated the increase in
the existing tariff to a cent and
a half a pound, for the sake of
the additional revenue.

**SUBSTITUTE WILL
HAMPER GROWERS**

In the debate, Senator Brou-
nard and Senator Randall of
Louisiana argued strongly against
the substitute, claiming that an
extension of the existing duty for
four years would not provide the
sugar growers of Louisiana suf-
ficient assurance to resume their
cane cultivation and would fail
to restore to activity the sugar
production of the State.

Senator Martine of New Jer-
sey argued against any extension
of the existing duty and urged
that there should be free sugar on
and after May 1, "as promised in
the Democratic platform."

**DEMANDS REPORT UPON
ARMY IN CALIFORNIA**

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
WASHINGTON, March 27.—Senator
Works of California today introduced
a resolution asking the government
authorities for full reports on the pre-
sent army forces in California, the
number, strength, and the number, kind
and strength of warships in course of
construction for the Pacific and the
Atlantic. The report was adopted.

THOMAS PENCE IS DEAD
(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
WASHINGTON, March 27.—Thomas
Pence, secretary of the Democratic na-
tional committee, died today of pneu-
monia. The President expressed deep
regret at his death, as did Postmaster
General Burleson and the President's
secretary, Joseph Tumulty. Pence has
directed the detailed political work of
the administration since President Wil-
son took office.